

**A** proclamation set furthe by the kynges maiestie, Wyth the aduise of his highnes most honozable priuey counsaile, the xxviii. day of July, in the v. yere of his graces most prosperous reigne, against suche as blaundersously whisper and spread abroad falsse rumours of the further abacing of the coyne.

*Summe of the said proclamation.*



Whereas the kynges maiesty, vpon the publishing of the last proclamati-  
on, for the abacing of the sylling to .ix. d. minded to haue broughte his  
coine vnto a moze perfection of finenes then it was, & so fro time to time  
to haue amended it, as in very dede he purposeth to do, with al the speede  
that may be. Now it is come to passe, & by the spreading of falsse & vnttrue  
rumors, the prices of al thinges are growe so excessiue, that it is intol-  
lerable for his louing subiectes to endure it, by reason that certein few  
persones of their owne light heddes haue immagined, that by cause hys  
highnes hath already sumwhat abated the value of his sayde coine, therefore his maiesty should yet moze  
abace it, and of their imaginacions, haue vttered this fond rumor, in suche sorte, as euery man that hathe  
coine, cattel or other kinde of victual, mete to be brought to the markettes, rather wil kepe it then vtter it  
fearing their losse in the fall of the money, wherof foloweth a scarcite in the market, where no scarcite ought  
to be, and a merueilous dearth wher plenty is of al maner of victualles. And as this greedy restraining of  
them that hath plentifully, breedeth the plague of god vpon them, both for their light credite, and for their  
insatiable couctousnes, as in the death of a numbre of the it hath of late ben sene: So the kynges highnes  
hauing charge from god, to se his common welth well gouerned, must haue an earnest eye, to the straighte  
punishment of them that raise these blaunders amonges his subiectes. Wherefore his maiesty straightlye  
prohibiteth & defendeth, all & euery of his subiectes, of what estate, degre, or condicion soeuer he or they be,  
that from the publishing of this present proclamatiō, they inuent not, speake, mutter, or deuise, any maner  
of tale, newes, or repozte, either touching the abacing of the said coine, or that in any maner of wise may  
founde either to the dishonoz of his maiesties persone, or to the defacing of his highnes proceedings, or of  
his counceile, or to the disquieting of his louing subiectes, vpon payne of. vi. monethes imprisonment, and  
suche fine to the kynges maiesties vse, as shalbe thought mete by the Iustices of the Peace, in the Shire  
where the offence is committed, if the offender be able to pay it immediately befoze his deliuerie: and in case  
the offender be not able to pay it, then he to be put on the pillory, and one of his Eares cut of, or bothe, if  
the greuousnes of his offence shal seme to the Iustices, Maior, or other officer so to require. And who-  
soeuer shal heare any suche tale, rumor, inuencion, or deuise, and do not immediatly reuele it vnto some  
Iustice of the peace, Maior, Bailiffe, Constable or suche other Officer, he to incurre no lesse paine then the  
first offender: the like wherof to be inflicted vpon the Justice, Maior, Bailiffe, Constable, or other officer  
to whome the accusacion shalbe geuen, in case that vpon the trial therof, they do not put the effect herof in  
execution vpon the offenders, and the accusor of such officers to be rewarded at the kynges maiesties han-  
des, for thuttering and declaration of the officers fault, in not executing his charge, in suche sorte, as they  
shal haue good cause an other time to watche for the like.

**God saue the King.**

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